

GCSE
GEOGRAPHY A
Unit A673: *Similarities and Differences*
Specimen Paper

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J380

Candidates answer on the question paper.

Additional materials:

Time: 1 hour

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the boxes above.
- Use black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Do not write in the bar codes.
- Do not write outside the box bordering each page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks for each question is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 50.

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TOTAL

Answer **all** questions.

- 1 In lessons you will have studied a UK location that is your place. The questions in part 1, relate to your place.

Name your place

- (a) Describe the location of your place within the UK.

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- (b) How do you feel about living in your place? Explain your answers.

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- (c) Not everyone will feel the same way as you do about living in your place. State **ONE** group of people who may have differing views to you and explain their views and how and why they might differ from your own.

Name of group of people

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- 2 (a) As part of your GCSE work you want to find out about living in your place. Describe in detail **TWO** fieldwork techniques that you could use to find out about living in your place.

Technique one

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Technique two

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- (b) (i) You should also have researched a **non UK location**. How did you find out information about your non UK location?

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- (ii) How did you ensure this information was reliable?

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3 The questions in this section relate to your **non UK location**.

- (a) Describe the key features of climate and landscape in your non UK location.

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- (b) Describe the links that exist between your place and your non UK location.

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4 (a) Give **TWO** similarities between your place and your non UK location.

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- (b) Give **TWO** differences between your place and your non UK location.

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- (c) A migrant from an Eastern European country has to decide whether to migrate to your place or your non UK location. Which would you advise him to do? Give reasons for your answer.

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Paper Total [50]

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Specimen Mark Scheme

The maximum mark for this paper is 50.

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Question Number	Answer	Max Mark
1(a)	<p>Describe the location of your place within the UK. Point marking.</p>	[4]
1(b)	<p>How do you feel about living in your place? Explain your answers. 0 marks No evidence submitted or response does not address the question. Level 1 [1-3 marks] at least 2 straight forward statements e.g. it's boring. Level 2 [4-5 marks] at least 2 developed statements e.g. its boring because the Leisure centre is very expensive and so we can't afford to go there.</p>	[5]
1(c)	<p>Not everyone will feel the same way as you do about living in your place. State <u>ONE</u> group of people who may have differing views to you and explain their views and how and why they might differ from your own. No marks for naming group. 0 marks No evidence submitted or response does not address the question. Level 1 [1-3 marks] straight forward statements e.g. it's boring OR no named group. Level 2 [4-5 marks] named groups of people and developed statements e.g. Old people don't like it because there are many young people hanging around the shopping centre and it makes them feel unsafe.</p>	[5]
2(a)	<p>As part of your GCSE work you want to find out about living in your place. Describe in detail <u>TWO</u> fieldwork techniques that you could use to find out about living in your place. 0 marks No evidence submitted or response does not address the question. Level 1 [1-3 marks] 2 straight forward descriptions of techniques e.g. do a questionnaire, look at census data. Level 2 [4-6 marks] candidate develops descriptions of 2 techniques e.g. do a questionnaire and then suggests what questions could be asked in a follow up. Level 3 [7-8 marks] candidate has two well developed techniques with the rationale behind them fully explained.</p>	[8]
2(b)(i)	<p>You should also have researched a <u>non UK location</u>. How did you find out information about your non UK location? 1 mark for valid point and 1 mark for development. Point mark and allow development. Indicative content: looked on the internet ✓ for data about the climate✓</p>	[4]

Question Number	Answer	Max Mark
2(b)(ii)	<p>How did you ensure this information was reliable? Point mark and allow development e.g. checked the websites were up to date/ from a reliable source.</p>	[2]
3(a)	<p>Describe the key features of climate and landscape in your non UK location. 0 marks No evidence submitted or response does not address the question. Level 1 [1-3 marks] straight forward statements e.g. it's hot, its rocky. Level 2 [4-6 marks] developed statements e.g. it's hot, in the summer it can reach 40 degrees centigrade and in the winter it never drops below 15 degrees, coastal location.</p>	[6]
3(b)	<p>Describe the links that exist between your place and your non UK location. 0 marks No evidence submitted or response does not address the question. Level 1 [1-3 marks] straight forward statements e.g. there are links because of what we eat and the people that migrate here OR 1 developed idea Level 2 [4-6 marks] at least two developed ideas e.g. we are linked because French players come to play at Gloucester Rugby club, this sometimes means that French people come and watch the matches.</p>	[6]
4(a)	<p>Give <u>two</u> similarities between your place and your non UK location. Point marking. 1 mark for each valid point Location/size/industry situated there/migrant populations/climate</p>	[2]
4(b)	<p>Give <u>two</u> differences between your place and your non UK location. Point marking. 1 mark for each valid point Location/size/industry situated there/climate</p>	[2]

Question Number	Answer	Max Mark
4(c)	<p>A migrant from an Eastern European country has to decide whether to migrate to your place or your non UK location. Which would you advise him to do? Give reasons for your answer.</p> <p>0 marks No evidence submitted or response does not address the question.</p> <p>Level 1 [1-3 marks] straight forward points e.g. go to non UK because climate is more favourable OR one well developed reason.</p> <p>Level 2 [4-6 marks] Two well developed reasons e.g. come to the UK because there are more job opportunities in service industries in the UK and these jobs are higher paid than in their own country.</p>	[6]
Paper Total		[50]

Assessment Objectives Grid (includes QWC)

Question	AO1	AO2	AO3	Total
1(a)	4			4
1(b)	3	2		5
1(c)	2	2	1	5
2(a)		2	6	8
2(b)(i)	2	2		4
2(b)(ii)	1	1		2
3(a)	4	2		6
3(b)	3	2	1	6
4(a)	2			2
4(b)	1	1		2
4(c)	4		2	6
Totals	26	14	10	50